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## ROLLBACK JOB KILLER BILLS

"California's fiscal crisis is a direct result of the runaway government spending of the last four years and is exacerbated by the assault on the state's job-creating businesses. A real solution to the budget crisis that currently looms over this state must include meaningful proposals which encourage private-sector job creation and enhance California's competitiveness."

-Chuck Poochigian

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# Senator Charles S. Poochigian



## Capitol Update

### ROLLBACK JOB KILLER BILLS

Senator Poochigian, along with other Senate Republican caucus members, this week unveiled a package of bills designed to roll back recently enacted legislation that has saddled California businesses with higher costs and expensive regulations and mandates that adversely impact their businesses and their workforce.

Senator Poochigian was joined by the following statewide business leaders: Allan Zaremburg (California Chamber of Commerce), Jack Stewart (California Manufacturers and Technology Association), Bill Hauck (California Business Roundtable) and Larry McCarthy (California Taxpayers' Association).

"With California's budget crisis and current business climate, it is essential that we enact laws to help stimulate our economy. The Chamber applauds the efforts of those legislators working to repeal some of California's 'job killer' laws. And stimulate job creation for our workers and their families," said Allan Zaremburg.

The six-bill package repeals job-killing measures contained in 12 bills approved in the Legislature over the past four years, as well as delaying certain costly mandates and regulations affecting energy and medical costs.

Bill Number	Bills that are Proposed to be Repealed
SB 1010	AB 749 Workers' Compensation
(Poochigian)	AB 2816 Workers' Comp Temp Employees
	SB 975 Econ Dev. Prevailing Wage Mandate
	AB 2509 Local Labor Laws
	AB 60 Elimination of Flextime
SB 1011	AB 1506 School Construction Cost Mandates
(Battin)	AB 1357 State Contracts
SB 1012	Two Sections of AB 2065: Net Operating Loss
(Poochigian)	(NOL) Suspension and Real Estate Withholding
SB 1013	SB 688 Statute of Limitations
(Ackerman)	AB 2915 Restoration of Arbitration
	AB 2656 Restoration of Arbitration
SB 1014	Delay Retrofit Mandates
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SB 1015	Repeal Distributed Generation Fee
(Morrow)	

Click here for detailed descriptions of the above-mentioned bills

This package of bills is similar to the measure proposed by Senator Poochigian at the start of the Extraordinary Legislative session called in December to address the state's massive budget crisis. Since it was submitted in special session, Senate Bill 1X would have provided for swift enactment of the much-needed reforms to improve California's business climate. However, that bill has yet to be provided a hearing.

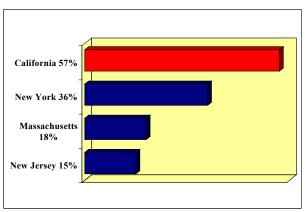
While SB 1X is not yet obsolete, reintroduction of the bills in the regular session will allow these vital issues to at least remain part of the ongoing budget discussions in the coming months.

#### FACTS ABOUT THE CALIFORNIA ECONOMY

California was ranked as the least favorable business climate in the nation in a survey of business executives last fall.

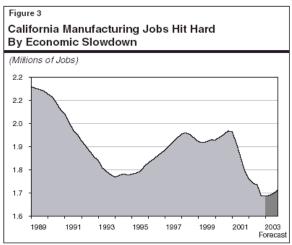
# California: Worst Business Climate in the Nation

Survey asked corporate executives to name the states with the most and least favorable business climate



**Source: Development Councellors International** 

According to the Legislative Analyst, California has lost over 250,000 manufacturing jobs since 2000, many of which were high-paying.



Source: LAO' Perspectives and Issues

The Los Angeles Economic Development Corporation's recently released their economic forecast and reported, "How the budget is resolved will have a huge impact on all sectors of the California economy." It also noted, "Business will continue to cope with huge cost increases, especially for workmen's compensation insurance, and can expect further actions out of Sacramento that will negatively impact the bottom line."